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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Official Action dated December 27, 2007, applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

 ${\bf Amendments\ to\ the\ Drawings}\ begin\ on\ page\ 7\ of\ this\ paper\ and\ include\ an$  attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a replacement drawing sheet and a translation of the foreign priority document is attached following page 15 of this paper.